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REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Lim for taking the time to discuss the references and to review proposed claim amendments during the telephone interview on Wednesday, June 16, 2004. This discussion, as more fully elaborated upon below, greatly facilitated a mutual understanding of the scope of the invention over the prior art as defined by the now amended claims. Without this courtesy the process would have taken much longer.

The Examiner, in Paper number 12, finally rejected all pending claims under 35 USC 103 (a) in view of Frauenhofer and Herz. The Examiner also withdrew claims 104 to 118 from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention.

During the above-identified telephone interview, the Frauenhofer reference was discussed. Applicant pointed out that Frauenhofer specifically teaches (Col 5, line 8 et seq) that in all three of its implementations the customer location (i.e., the user) would retain the capability for...creation and storage of the user profile, matching of the user profile to the categories or channels into which the documents are placed, and provision of the matched documents for end user review.

Thus, the reference shows that the control of what is matched is done by the user (or by a system controlled by the user). Applicant reiterated the remarks provided to the Examiner in Applicants prior responses. The Examiner had considered the prior remarks and was of the opinion (see the Examiner's reply in paragraph 20 C) that the language of the pending claims failed to make the differences between the reference and the claims clear enough. With this in mind the claims have been amended in accordance with the above-referenced discussion between the Examiner and Applicant. The purpose of the claim amendment is to clarify that it is the information provider (or a third party) not controlled by the user who makes the "match" decision and who controls, at least partially, the delivery of the desired information to the user.

The claims that are being provided in this response are essentially the same as discussed in detail in the interview with the following exceptions;

In claim 1, line 3, the word "available" was added;

In claim 1, line 11, the phrase, "which is under the control of said information provider and which information content is" was added.

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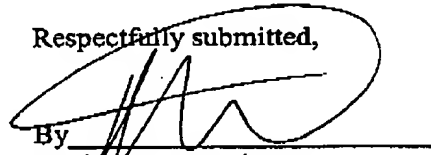
Since it is believed, based on the telephone interview, that all remaining claims are allowable as amended, Applicant does not believe it is necessary to traverse each element of each independent and each dependent claim. Suffice it to say that Applicant believes the dependent claims to be allowable for reasons inherent in each such claim and thus, for the record Applicant repeats his traverse as provided in previous responses.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2380, under Order No. 05708/P005US/08008819 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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